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TO : DEPARTMENT OF STATE

*Cuba*

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FROM : Amembassy PARIS

DATE: Sept. 15, 1962

SUBJECT : Communist-Inspired Protests to Embassy and Consulates on US "Aggressive Designs" on Cuba.

REF :

In an editorial in L'Humanité on September 12, Politburo-member Jacques Duclos discussed the Soviet warning to the US on Cuba and urged "workers" and "partisans of peace" to make known to the Embassy and the consulates of the US that an attack on Cuba would be considered as an "aggression against all the people since a nuclear war" would result from this attack. Duclos' article centered on the theme that the US had aggressive designs on Cuba because it was building socialism and serving as an example for all the remaining countries of the American continent. Duclos emphasized the passage in the Soviet warning to the US urging all peoples to "raise their voice to condemn the aggressive plans, to impede the starting of a war by the American aggressors and to assure peace in the entire world."

Comment: As in similar instances when the Communists have called for protests to the Embassy, communications have begun to arrive mainly from affiliates of the CGT, the Communist-dominated trade union, from Peace Movement organizations, and Communist Party organs repeating the original arguments. Similar messages have already been received by some of the consulates.

For the Chargé d'Affaires, a.i.

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